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TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

In response to the Notice of Allowability mailed 10/07/2003, applicant submits herewith for approval seven (7) sheets of formal drawings to be substituted for the

previously filed five (5) informal drawing sheets of record. The figures are now depicted on 7 sheets while the informal figures were depicted on 5 sheets; no new drawings have been added.

It is noted that the Notice of Allowability indicates that corrected drawings are required, incorporating the proposed drawing corrections filed on August 25, 2003, which were approved by the Examiner in the Notice of Allowance. The undersigned attorney has never received a Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review in this matter, however. As the drawings filed with the application on December 31, 2001 were handwritten, not numbered with consecutive page numbers, etc., a requirement for formal drawings was expected.

Applicant submits the enclosed formal drawings in order to satisfy the requirements of 37 CFR 1.84. Changes made to the drawings in addition to the approved drawing correction above were made only to comply with the ordinary physical requirements of 37 CFR 1.84, i.e. margins, scale, shading, etc.

Reconsideration and entry of these formal drawings is respectfully requested.

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